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**TREASURER DAN SCHWARTZ ISSUES STATEMENT ON TODAY'S HEARING CHALLENGING
NEVADA'S ESA PROGRAM**

Carson City, NV – State Treasurer Dan Schwartz issued the following statement this afternoon immediately after arguments in *Lopez v. Schwartz* in Carson City. This hearing was held to rule on a request for a preliminary injunction against the Nevada Educations Savings Account (ESA) program.

"The Attorney General and his team have done a thorough job in representing our program," says Treasurer Schwartz. "We will continue to help Nevada families march toward their goals of educational choice and will proceed with our first round of funding for all qualifying applicants. Despite hurdles by groups who oppose improving Nevada's schools, there are many people and groups in Nevada who want this program to succeed. We appreciate their support. By the thousands of applications our office has received, Nevadans have made clear their desire for choice. We intend to give them just that."

Over 4,100 families applied during the early enrollment period for the ESA program. The Treasurer's Office expects to disburse initial funding for ESA accounts around February 1, 2016. Those who have not applied yet may do so during the next open enrollment period from February 1 – March 31, 2016 at www.nevadatreasurer.gov.

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